

# BRADDOCK DISTRICT COUNCIL *NEWS*

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## **Panel Discussion with Your Braddock District Representatives on County Boards and Commissions**

Braddock District Council  
**November 8, 2005 7:30 PM**  
Braddock District Meeting Hall  
9002 Burke Lake Road  
Burke, VA 22015 (703)-425-9300

## **Braddock District Council Future Meeting Dates:**

Thursday, December 8 - Taste of Braddock  
Tuesday, December 13 - Executive Committee  
Tuesday, January 10 - General Membership  
Tuesday, February 14 - General Membership

## **Message from the Chair:**

Our next meeting of the Braddock District Council is scheduled for Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. We will use a portion of the meeting time to complete the Roundtable on Braddock District Council Representation.

In December, we will participate in the Taste of Braddock Holiday Celebration on Thursday, December 8. Please mark this date on your calendars. I will be calling on members of the Council again to assist in picking up food from restaurants that have donated for the celebration.

Our regular meeting date for December is December 13. We will not have a regular Council meeting on that date in favor of Taste the week before. Rather, I will convene a meeting on the 13th of the Executive Committee and several other Council members for a planning session on programs for 2006.

The October meeting was hosted by The Braddock District Council and was jointly sponsored with the Springfield District Council. I'm sure all of us enjoyed the opportunity to hear from our colleagues in Springfield. A suggestion has been made that we entertain other opportunities for joint meetings in the future.

At our October meeting, Treasurer Ivan Dietrich reported that our current treasury balance is \$1,073.79. Current paid members of the Council include: Canterbury Woods CA, Chapel Square West CA, County Club View CA, Croftwood HOA, Dunleigh HOA, George Mason Woods HOA, Hillsdale Community HOA, Kings Park West CA, Little Run CA, North Springfield CA, Oak Hill CA, Ravensworth Farm CA, Signal Hill CA, Truro HOA, Red Fox CA, Wakefield Chapel Woods HOA, and Wood Hirst HOA. Your dues are needed; if you haven't already, please join up for our 2005/2006 fiscal year.

Those of you who attended the meeting in October heard a presentation on Zoning Ordinance Amendments that are being considered. Many thanks go to County staff members Bill Shoup, Zoning Administrator; Lorrie Kirst, Deputy Zoning Administrator for Amendments, Donna Pesto, Senior Assistant to the Zoning Administration, and Susan Langdon, Chief of the Special Permit and Variance Branch. These staff members are to be commended for their grasp of a very complex and charged issue—and for their willingness to entertain a wide range of opinions and concerns with regard to Zoning Ordinance provisions. Our joint meeting was the sixth in a series that the County has held to gather opinion from residents on how the Zoning Ordinance might be modified.

Supervisor Bulova's letter below directs your attention to a number of Braddock District activities on the calendar. I want to specially encourage you to attend the Tuesday, November 1 Transportation Plan Update at Annandale High School at 7:00 p.m. or the Monday, November 7 Transportation Plan Update at Robinson Secondary School. Braddock District residents participated in a series of meetings to provide input into the Transportation Plan and much of their effort is reflected in the final draft plan now out for public comment. On Sunday, November 5 at the Northern Virginia Center at 7054 Haycock Road, Falls Church, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., the County is hosting a public forum to help the Board

of Supervisors “identify and address specific problems and necessary improvements required for the growing trend of under serving the disabled community in their transportation needs.”

Enjoy the fall and see you on November 8<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget to VOTE!

Janyce Hedetniemi, Chair

**Braddock District Council Officers**

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Treasurer, Ivan Dietrich  
Recording Secretary, Colin Campbell  
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**SUPERVISOR BULOVA'S CORNER**

- With the Board of Supervisor's approval of \$17.8 million (one penny on the Real Estate Tax Rate) for Storm water management projects, several projects have been moved forward that affect our Braddock District. Among these is the **Dredging of Lake Accotink** in Springfield. Since 2000 the Park Authority has been working on plans to remove silt that has been collecting in Lake Accotink. According to Park Manager Tawny Hammond, if dredging is delayed for very much longer, the lake will no longer be available for boating.

After overcoming logistical difficulties involving where the silt would be deposited, and how it would be transported, the project stalled as construction costs throughout our area began to soar, creating a million dollar gap between project bids and funding approved for the project through a 2004 Park Bond Referendum. A portion of the Stormwater Fund closes that gap and allows the project to finally move forward. The entire cost for the dredging project is approximately \$8 million. The contractor doing the work is Mobile Dredging and Pumping Company.

Silt will be removed via a dredging machine and hydraulic pumps that will run along the Norfolk Southern railroad and across Backlick Road to the Shirley Park Industrial Complex. Preparation of the disposal site is underway right now, and nearby residents will soon see work begin to lay the pipeline. The project is slated for completion by fall of 2006. Programs and activities at the lake are not expected to be interrupted while the dredging is taking place. Throughout the project, the lake will continue to hold water.

My office is hosting a **“Pardon Our Dust” meeting** for nearby residents and interested citizens to learn more about the project. I hope you can join us on **December 6, 2005 at 7:30 PM at North Springfield Elementary School**. I look forward to seeing you then!

- A lot more is happening in the Braddock District. Our **Neighborhood College** is up and running. Our office is planning a series of **Community Outreach sessions** this winter for residents to learn about and comment on nominations that have been submitted (by the Braddock Task Force as well as members of the public) to change the **County's Comprehensive Plan** for how property may be developed. On **February 8<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM** our focus on history will engage seniors at **Little River Glen on Olley Lane** to capture their stories. Look for more information about upcoming Braddock meetings and plans in future editions of the BDC Newsletter.

Sharon Bulova

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## NEWS RELEASE



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### **County Residents Urged to Get Flu Shot Now Flu Shots Available at Health Department District Offices**

The Fairfax County Health Department is encouraging all residents to protect themselves against influenza (flu), a contagious viral respiratory illness, by getting a flu shot now.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the supply of vaccine for this flu season is good and it is appropriate at this time that all people – especially those at greatest risk for complications from flu – get a flu shot.

“Flu vaccines are available in our District Office clinics at this time. We would like to see more people vaccinated,” said Gloria Addo-Ayensu, M.D., health director.

Because it can take up to two weeks for a flu shot to provide protection, people should get a vaccine early in the flu season, which typically runs from October until April, when people spend more time indoors. The illness peaks in January and February.

Flu vaccines are available by appointment at the Health Department’s five district offices in Fairfax County, and cost \$25. County residents can make an appointment at their nearest District Office below:

Falls Church District Office – 703-534-8343  
Herndon-Reston District Office – 703-481-4242  
Joseph Willard Health Center, Fairfax City – 703-246-7100  
Mount Vernon District Office – 703-704-5203  
Springfield District Office – 703-569-1031

For more information about flu or the flu vaccine, or to speak to a public health nurse, call the Health Department at 703-246-2411, TTY 703-591-6435. View flu season updates online by visiting the Health Department’s Web site at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hd](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hd).

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